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## **Introduced by Senator Migden**

June 29, 2006

Senate Resolution No. 33—Relative to Pacific Maritime Routes.

WHEREAS, The early settlement and development of California was deeply influenced by the immigrants and goods that came to the state by way of the maritime transportation routes by sailing around the Cape Horn of South America, via the Isthmus of Panama, as well as through the more commonly used routes of transcontinental migration; and

WHEREAS, The Pacific Maritime routes are an essential educational component of the state's interpretive history; and

WHEREAS, The recognition of the Pacific Maritime routes in relation to the state's history will result in a more comprehensive global understanding of the economic impact and cultural settlement role of maritime trade routes; and

WHEREAS, Scholars and agencies are encouraged to collaborate in their research in order to develop a fair and complete official state historical policy, including the geographical and historic influences, of our historic seafaring population; and

WHEREAS, Californians benefit from the development of a complete California story based on geography, climate, botany, transportation, and human settlement and migration; and

WHEREAS, The role of Pacific Maritime transportation in the history of California is conveyed by the images contained in the State Seal of California; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Senate encourages the recognition of the significant role maritime transportation routes played in the history and

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development of California, including, but not limited to, the fact that these routes are responsible for the diverse populations brought to the state; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Senate promote an understanding of the distinct origins of the Golden State seafaring populations and an awareness that their patterns of settlement played a key role in the cultural and economic history of California; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.